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WESTERN HEMISPHERE BRIEF 139-75.4

CUBA: THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF SOLIDARITY WITH PUERTO RICAN INDEPENDENCE ENDED ON SEPTEMBER 7 IN HAVANA CAPPING A MAJOR PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGN THE CASTRO GOVERNMENT HAS PROMOTED FOR ABOUT A YEAR.4

THE CONFERENCE WAS ATTENDED BY 320 DELEGATES FROM SOME 90 COUNTRIES AND NUMEROUS INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, A TOTAL SLIGHTLY LESS THAN THE ANTICIPATED REPRESENTATION OF OVER 100 COUNTRIES.4

NOTEWORTHY WAS THE ATTENDANCE OF A SECRETARY OF MEXICO'S RULING POLITICAL PARTY. THE MEXICAN FUNCTIONARY AND HIS DEPUTY ARRIVED A DAY AFTER THE CONFERENCE BEGAN, SUGGESTING THAT PRESIDENT ECHEVERRIA MAY HAVE HAD A LAST-MINUTE CHANGE OF HEART.4

THE MEETING BROUGHT ABOUT A SPLIT AMONG THE ALREADY SMALL PUERTO RICAN GROUPS ESPOUSING INDEPENDENCE. THE PUERTO RICAN INDEPENDENCE PARTY DID NOT ATTEND BECAUSE OF A DESIRE, ACCORDING TO ITS LEADER RUBEN BERRIOS, TO DISASSOCIATE ITSELF FROM "THE RADICAL LEFT APPROACH PREACHED BY THE SOCIALIST PARTY." THE SOCIALISTS, UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF JUAN MARI BRAS, HAVE BEEN THE MAJOR RECIPIENTS

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OF CUBAN SUPPORT, BUT HAVANA HAD HOPED FOR A UNITED FRONT AMONG  
PUERTO RICAN LEFTIST GROUPS.Y

IN WHAT MAY HAVE BEEN A DELIBERATE EFFORT TO ENSURE THAT THE  
EVENT WAS NOT SPOTLIGHTED IN THE US, THE CUBANS APPARENTLY TRIED  
TO LIMIT US MEDIA COVERAGE AND EVEN CANCELED THE SCHEDULED VISIT BY  
A US TELEVISION NETWORK CORRESPONDENT. (SECRET) E-2 IMPDET.H

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MIDDLE EAST AFRICA BRIEF 139-75.4

KENYA: THE US EMBASSY IN NAIROBI REPORTS THAT A LARGE NUMBER OF POLITICALLY AWARE KENYANS HAVE READ A SERIES OF ARTICLES STRONGLY CRITICAL OF PRESIDENT KENYATTA AND HIS FAMILY THAT APPEARED RECENTLY IN THE SUNDAY TIMES OF LONDON--DESPITE A BAN ON THE SALE OF THE PAPER.4

THE THREE-PART SERIES REVIEWS AGAIN THE MURDER OF REGIME CRITIC J. M. KARIUKI LAST MARCH, ASSERTING THAT KENYATTA GAVE THE GO-AHEAD FOR THE MURDER BECAUSE KARIUKI WAS ON THE VERGE OF PUBLISHING AN EXPOSE OF THE KENYATTA FAMILY AND OTHER WEALTHY KENYANS. THE MAJOR FOCUS OF THE SERIES, HOWEVER, IS A DETAILED REVIEW OF LAND ACQUISITIONS AND OTHER BUSINESS DEALINGS BY VARIOUS MEMBERS OF WHAT THE PAPER CALLS THE "ROYAL FAMILY"--ESPECIALLY KENYATTA'S WIFE MAMA NGINA. SOME KENYANS KNEW OF OR SUSPECTED SOME OF THESE SHADY PRACTICES, BUT THE CAREFUL RESEARCH AND SYSTEMATIC PRESENTATION OF

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THE ARTICLES APPEARS TO HAVE HAD A CONSIDERABLE IMPACT.

THE LONG RANGE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE SUNDAY TIMES ARTICLES IS DIFFICULT TO GAUGE, HOWEVER. KENYATTA'S TOUGH TACTICS AGAINST THE OPPOSITION WILL PROBABLY BE SUFFICIENT TO KEEP MOST LOCAL CRITICS AT BAY, BUT DISSIDENT BACKBENCHERS MAY ATTEMPT TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE REVELATIONS WHEN PARLIAMENT RECONVENES ON SEPTEMBER 30. THE SUNDAY TIMES SERIES WILL PROBABLY INTENSIFY OPPOSITION TO FORMER FOREIGN MINISTER NJOROGE MUNJAI, A KENYATTA FAMILY MEMBER WHOSE ATTEMPT TO MAKE A POLITICAL COMEBACK IS REPORTEDLY BEING AIDED BY THE PRESIDENT. MOREOVER, THE SERIES MAY MAKE IT DIFFICULT FOR KENYATTA'S RELATIVES TO RETAIN THEIR ENTRENCHED ECONOMIC POSITION AFTER HIS DEPARTURE FROM THE POLITICAL SCENE. {CONFIDENTIAL} E-2 IMPDET.d

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EAST ASIA BRIEF 137-75.4

1. CHINA: PEKING MAY BE SPEAKING WITH TWO VOICES ON THE SCOPE AND CONTENT OF THE NEW CAMPAIGN TO CRITICIZE THE ANCIENT NOVEL "WATER MARGIN." A PEOPLE'S DAILY EDITORIAL OF SEPTEMBER 4, PUBLISHED 12 DAYS AFTER THE CAMPAIGN BEGAN, APPEARS TO TAKE A MORE LIMITED VIEW OF THE CAMPAIGN THAN THAT EXPRESSED IN THE EARLIER ARTICLES.4

USING A NEW QUOTATION FROM CHAIRMAN MAO, THE EDITORIAL STATED THAT MAO HAD INITIATED THE CAMPAIGN. THIS TARDY REFERENCE TO THE CHAIRMAN AS THE ORIGINATOR SEEMS AIMED AT NEGATING THE IDEA THAT THE CAMPAIGN IS AIMED AT HIM. THE NOVEL'S LEADING FIGURE HAS BEEN ATTACKED FOR FAILING TO OPPOSE THE "EMPEROR," A REFERENCE THAT IS ALMOST CERTAIN TO BE READ BY THE CHINESE POPULACE AS AN ATTACK ON MAO. THE EARLIER ARTICLES, BEGINNING ON AUGUST 23, DID NOT CREDIT THE CHAIRMAN WITH LAUNCHING THE CAMPAIGN.4

THE EDITORIAL APPEARS TO DIFFER IN SEVERAL OTHER RESPECTS FROM THE EARLIER MATERIAL. WHILE THE OTHER ARTICLES PROMOTE CONTINUING REVOLUTIONARY STRUGGLE, THE EDITORIAL MAKES A STRONG

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AUGUST ISSUE OF THE PARTY THEORETICAL JOURNAL RED FLAG--SUGGESTS THAT PEKING IS TRYING TO DRAW THE ATTENTION OF THE OUTSIDE WORLD TO THE SOVIET QUESTION AND TO PLAY DOWN THE POSSIBLE EXPLOSIVE DOMESTIC IMPLICATIONS OF THE CURRENT CAMPAIGN.Y

TAKEN TOGETHER, THE LIANG HSIAO ARTICLE AND THE NEW PEOPLE'S DAILY EDITORIAL SEEM TO BE AN EFFORT TO FOCUS THE CAMPAIGN ON THE ISSUE OF "STANDING UP TO THE SOVIETS"--PERHAPS IN ORDER TO ISOLATE THOSE WHO ADVOCATE A LESS CONTENTIOUS POLICY TOWARD MOSCOW. THE EARLIER PEOPLE'S DAILY COMMENTARY WITH ITS CLARION CALL TO CRITICIZE THE "EMPEROR" COULD HAVE BEEN AN ATTEMPT TO LINE UP SUPPORT FOR A ENCOMING STRUGGLE WITH MAO ON THE SOVIET AND OTHER ISSUES. IN PARTICULAR, THE EARLIER COMMENTARY COULD BE AN ATTEMPT TO RALLY ELEMENTS WITHIN THE MILITARY WHO--AS SUGGESTED BY LAST YEAR'S PROPAGANDA--ARE MOST CRITICAL OF CURRENT CHINESE POLICY TOWARD THE SOVIET UNION. IF SO, THE NEW CAMPAIGN HAS POTENTIAL FOR CONSIDERABLE CONFLICT WITHIN THE LEADERSHIP. THIS SEEMS TO BE TACITLY ACKNOWLEDGED BY THE PEOPLE'S DAILY EDITORIAL, WHICH, IN CONTRAST TO OTHER ARTICLES IN THE CAMPAIGN

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LEADERS AND HOSTED BY SENIOR VICE PREMIER TENG HSIAO-PING ON BEHALF OF THE HOSPITALIZED CHOU EN-LAI. IN HIS BANQUET SPEECH, TENG WENT OUT OF HIS WAY TO EXPRESS CHINESE PLEASURE THAT CAMBODIAN DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER KHIEU SAMPHAN WAS IN ATTENDANCE. HE DID NOT REPEAT THE ATTACK IN SIHANOUK'S SPEECH ON US "BARBAROUS AND VILE AGGRESSION" AND "GENOCIDE," NOTING ONLY THAT THE CAMBODIANS HAD DRIVEN THE US OUT OF CAMBODIA. {CONFIDENTIAL}4

3. JAPAN-CHINA: JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER KIICHI MIYAZAWA AND HIS CHINESE COUNTERPART CHIAO KUAN-HUA WILL HOLD TALKS ON A PEACE AND FRIENDSHIP TREATY LATER THIS MONTH AT THE UN. NEGOTIATIONS HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED SINCE JUNE, WHEN THE TALKS BROKE DOWN OVER CHINESE DESIRES TO INCLUDE AN ANTI-HEGEMONY CLAUSE AIMED AT THE SOVIET UNION. {CONFIDENTIAL} E-2 IMPDET.H

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EUROPEAN BRIEF 139-75.4

1. PORTUGAL: PRESIDENT COSTA GOMES AND PRIME MINISTER -  
 DESIGNATE AZEVEDO DISCUSSED FORMATION OF A NEW GOVERNMENT THIS  
 WEEKEND WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF SIX OF THE COUNTRY'S POLITICAL  
 PARTIES.4

ACCORDING TO LISBON RADIO, PRESENT SPECULATION IS THAT A  
 COALITION COMPRISING THE SOCIALISTS, THE CENTER-LEFT POPULAR  
 DEMOCRATS, AND THE COMMUNISTS WILL BE EXPANDED TO INCLUDE MEMBERS  
 OF THE ANTI-COMMUNIST MELO ANTUNES FACTION. IN ADDITION TO THESE  
 PARTIES, TALKS HAVE ALSO BEEN HELD WITH THE HARD-LINE PRO-COMMUNIST  
 MOVEMENT OF THE SOCIALIST LEFT, THE COMMUNIST FRONT POPULAR  
 DEMOCRATIC MOVEMENT, AND THE CENTER-RIGHT SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC CENTER.  
 IT IS BELIEVED THESE PARTIES WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE GOVERNMENT,  
 BUT HAVE ONLY BEEN CONSULTED TO SECURE MULTIPARTY SUPPORT.4

THERE HAS BEEN VERY LITTLE REACTION TO FRIDAY'S RUMP SESSION  
 OF THE ARMED FORCES GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE OUSTER OF FORMER  
 PRIME MINISTER GONCALVES. GONCALVES' SUPPORTERS APPEAR TO FEEL  
 THAT THEY HAVE SUFFERED A REVERSAL. ON SATURDAY EVENING HIS ENTIRE

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PRO-COMMUNIST CABINET RESIGNED, STATING THAT IT COULD NO LONGER CONTINUE BECAUSE FRIDAY'S EVENTS HAD FUNDAMENTALLY ALTERED THE POLITICAL SITUATION. THE RESIGNATIONS CAME DESPITE AN APPEAL BY COSTA GOMES TO STAY ON UNTIL THE NEW CABINET IS FORMED.4

THE FIRST REACTION FROM THE PARTIES CAME FROM A LEADING POPULAR DEMOCRAT WHO DEMANDED THAT THE RULING ARMED FORCES MOVEMENT BE DISSOLVED, THAT THE REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL BE SCRAPPED, AND THAT THE MILITARY BE SUBORDINATED TO A DEMOCRATIC, CIVILIAN ADMINISTRATION. HE WAS PROBABLY SEEKING TO GAIN A STRONG POSITION FOR HIS PARTY IN THE NEW GOVERNMENT.4

ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF FABIAO SAID YESTERDAY THAT THE PARTIES ARE INCAPABLE OF LEADING PORTUGAL OUT OF ITS PRESENT CRISIS, AND SOURCES CLOSE TO BOTH COSTA GOMES AND AZEVEDO SAY THE TWO ARE UNLIKELY TO RELINQUISH POWER TO AN ALL-CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT AT THIS TIME.4

MEANWHILE, CENTRAL MILITARY REGION COMMANDER GENERAL CHARAIS-A STRONG ANTUNES SUPPORTER—SOUGHT TO FORESTALL ANY COMMUNIST ATTEMPT TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE PRESENT UNCERTAINTY. HE

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WARNED THAT AN ATTEMPTED COUP BY GONCALVES' COMMUNIST SUPPORTERS  
WOULD BE "SUICIDAL." FURTHERMORE, HE SAID, IT WOULD LEAD NOT  
ONLY TO CIVIL WAR BUT ALSO TO A RIGHT-WING DICTATORSHIP. {SECRET} 4

2. USSR-MIDDLE EAST: THE SOVIETS CONTINUE TO REACT NEGATIVELY  
TO THE SECOND-STAGE SINAI ACCORD. 4

THE MOST RECENT ISSUE OF THE WEEKLY NEW TIMES ON  
SEPTEMBER 5 PRESENTS THE MOST DETAILED SOVIET CRITIQUE TO DATE  
OF THE AGREEMENT AND RAISES A SERIES OF OBJECTIONS: 4

--ISRAEL'S WITHDRAWAL IN SINAI IS DISCARDED AS  
MEANINGLESS BECAUSE 87.5 PERCENT OF THE AREA REMAINS UNDER  
ISRAELI OCCUPATION. 4

--THE INTRODUCTION OF US TECHNICIANS IS CALLED  
AN EFFORT BY TEL AVIV TO INVOLVE THE US IN ISRAELI  
"ADVENTURES." THE ARTICLE ALSO CITES US SOURCES AS  
NOTING A PARALLEL BETWEEN THE INTRODUCTION OF TECH-  
NICIANS IN SINAI AND US INVOLVEMENT IN VIETNAM. 4

--THE AGREEMENT IS DESCRIBED AS HAVING NO CONNECTION WITH  
A GENERAL SETTLEMENT IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND, IN FACT,

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AS AGGRAVATING THE BASIC PROBLEM BY PROLONGING ISRAELI  
OCCUPATION OF ARAB LANDS.4

THE ARTICLE ALSO SUGGESTS THAT THE AGREEMENT TENDS TO  
DIVIDE THE ARAB CAUSE, ONE OF SEVERAL DIGS AT EGYPT. {CONFI-  
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3. USSR: SOVIET PROPAGANDA ON THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY LAST  
WEEK OF THE END OF WORLD WAR II IN EAST ASIA NOT SURPRISINGLY  
IGNORED THE ROLE OF THE WEST AND EXAGGERATED THE ROLE OF THE USSR  
IN THE DEFEAT OF JAPAN.4

DEFENSE MINISTER GRECHKO'S ORDER OF THE DAY LAST WEDNESDAY  
STATED FLATLY THAT THE SOVIET CONTRIBUTION WAS DECISIVE. GRECHKO  
ACKNOWLEDGED THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE "ALLIES AND ASIAN NATIONAL  
LIBERATION MOVEMENTS," BUT ONLY MONGOLIA WAS SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED.4

ANOTHER MAJOR THEME WAS THE IMPORTANCE OF JAPAN'S DEFEAT FOR  
NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS IN ASIA, PARTICULARLY THOSE IN KOREA  
AND CHINA. A PRAVDA ARTICLE APPARENTLY WRITTEN BY FOREIGN  
MINISTRY ASIAN EXPERT MIKHAIL KAPITSA RELITERATED THE LONG-STANDING  
SOVIET ASSERTION THAT THE USSR DELIVERED MANCHURIA TO THE

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CHINESE COMMUNISTS AND THAT THE ARMS THE SOVIETS TURNED OVER AT  
 THAT TIME WERE INSTRUMENTAL IN THE COMMUNIST VICTORY IN 1949.4

OTHER SOVIET PROPAGANDA ON THE ANNIVERSARY WENT EVEN FURTHER  
 IN STRESSING THE CONTRIBUTION THE SOVIETS MADE TO THE CHINESE  
 COMMUNIST VICTORY. A RED STAR ARTICLE ON AUGUST 26 ENUMERATED  
 THE ARMS TURNED OVER TO THE CHINESE AFTER THE SOVIETS OCCUPIED  
 MANCHURIA AND ATTACKED MAO FOR TRYING TO MINIMIZE THE SIGNIFICANCE  
 OF THIS AID.4

AN ARTICLE IN LITERARY GAZETTE ON SEPTEMBER 3 SAID THE  
 USSR PROVIDED "MASSIVE HELP" TO THE COMMUNISTS THROUGHOUT  
 THE COURSE OF THE CIVIL WAR. THE SOVIETS DID PROVIDE SOME AID  
 TO THE CHINESE COMMUNISTS. IT WAS NOT MASSIVE, HOWEVER, AND  
 MOSCOW CONTINUED TO DEAL WITH THE NATIONALISTS ALMOST TO THE EVE  
 OF THE COMMUNIST VICTORY.4

GRECHKO'S ORDER EXPRESSED SATISFACTION THAT MOSCOW'S RELATIONS  
 WITH JAPAN ARE DEVELOPING IN A SPIRIT OF "GOOD NEIGHBORLINESS."  
 THE KAPITSA ARTICLE, HOWEVER, SUGGESTED OTHERWISE. IT TREATED  
 MOSCOW'S TERRITORIAL DISPUTE WITH JAPAN IN SUCH A WAY AS TO

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IMPLY THAT MOSCOW WILL NEVER COMPROMISE, AND IT ATTACKED "CERTAIN CIRCLES" IN JAPAN FOR IMPEDING PROGRESS TOWARD BETTER SOVIET-JAPANESE RELATIONS.4

THE KAPITSA ARTICLE'S TOUGHNESS TOWARD THE JAPANESE STEMS IN PART FROM JAPAN'S CONSIDERATION OF AN ANTI-HEGEMONY CLAUSE IN ITS PROPOSED PEACE TREATY WITH CHINA. THE SOVIETS BELIEVE THAT THE INCLUSION OF SUCH A CLAUSE IN A TREATY WOULD BE A SIGNIFICANT SETBACK TO THEIR INTERESTS IN ASIA. {CONFIDENTIAL} E-2 IMPDET.4

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DEVISE A STRATEGY FOR COUNTERING THE NEW "AMERICAN INITIATIVE," AND ASSERTED THAT THE PLO WILL PERSEVERE IN ITS CAMPAIGN TO EXPEL ISRAEL FROM THE UN.4

ALTHOUGH FEDAYEEN FROM LEBANON HAVE STEPPED UP THEIR CROSS-BORDER ATTACKS ON ISRAEL—THERE WERE TWO THIS WEEKEND—MOST OF WHAT ARAFAT SAID WAS DESIGNED ONLY FOR INTERNAL FEDAYEEN CONSUMPTION. HE WITHHELD HIS STRONGEST CRITICISM UNTIL THE AGREEMENT WAS VIRTUALLY COMPLETE AND AVOIDED DIRECT ATTACKS ON EGYPT. ARAFAT PAID A QUICK VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA LATE LAST WEEK, PRESUMABLY TO SOLICIT SAUDI HELP IN PRESSING SECRETARY KISSINGER TO INCLUDE THE PALESTINIANS IN FUTURE NEGOTIATIONS. {CONFIDENTIAL}4

2. ARAB STATES-ROMANIA: THE ARAB BOYCOTT ORGANIZATION, MEETING IN CAIRO, ANNOUNCED ON THURSDAY THAT IT HAS ADDED ROMANIA'S CIVIL AIRLINE, TAROM, TO ITS BLACKLIST OF FIRMS THAT OPERATE IN ISRAEL. EARLY LAST YEAR THE ARABS THREATENED TO BLACKLIST ROMANIA BECAUSE OF ITS DIPLOMATIC TIES WITH ISRAEL, BUT BACKED OFF AFTER PRESIDENT CEAUSESCU INTERCEDED PERSONALLY TO FORESTALL THE MOVE.4 THE ANNOUNCEMENT ON THURSDAY GAVE NO REASON FOR THE DECISION.

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EN GAINING MOST-FAVORED-NATION STATUS WITH THE US RECENTLY, BUCHAREST SIMULTANEOUSLY INCREASED THE NUMBER OF ROMANIAN JEWS ALLOWED TO EMIGRATE. TAROM HAS OPERATED FLIGHTS INTO ISRAEL SINCE 1968, AND PRESUMABLY WOULD BE A MAJOR CARRIER OF EMIGRANTS TO ISRAEL.4

MOREOVER, THE BOYCOTT ORGANIZATION HAS APPARENTLY EASED ITS CRITERIA FOR IMPOSING THE BOYCOTT ON OTHER BUSINESSES, REQUIRING ONLY THAT A FIRM ESTABLISH IN AN ARAB COUNTRY AN ENTERPRISE SIMILAR TO ITS OPERATION IN ISRAEL. HERETOFORE, ANY BUSINESS THAT OPERATED IN ISRAEL HAS BEEN SUBJECT TO BLACKLISTING. INDIVIDUAL ARAB COUNTRIES HAVE ALWAYS FOUND A WAY TO CIRCUMVENT EVEN THIS RESTRICTION IF THIS SERVED THEIR INTERESTS.4

THE BAN ON TAROM IS AN EMBARRASSMENT TO PRESIDENT CEAUSESCU, WHOSE REGIME HAS SOUGHT TO MAINTAIN A BALANCE BETWEEN THE TWO SIDES IN THE MIDDLE EAST DISPUTE. BUCHAREST CAN NOW BE EXPECTED TO GO OUT OF ITS WAY TO DEMONSTRATE ITS GOOD INTENTIONS TOWARD THE ARABS AND REINFORCE ITS "IMPARTIALITY" IN THE DISPUTE. BUT IT IS UNLIKELY THAT THE ARAB ACTION WILL INFLUENCE ROMANIA TO CHANGE ITS STANCE

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TOWARD ISRAEL.Y

TAROM IS THE ONLY COMMUNIST AIRLINE THAT SERVES TEL AVIV AS WELL AS BEIRUT, CAIRO, AND ALGIERS. IT OPERATES EIGHT FLIGHTS A WEEK TO THE MIDDLE EAST, TOTALING APPROXIMATELY ONE SIXTH OF ITS OVERALL INTERNATIONAL SERVICE. LOSS OF THE ROUTES TO ARAB COUNTRIES WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON TAROM, HOWEVER, SINCE ITS MOST LUCRATIVE ROUTES ARE THOSE TO WESTERN EUROPE. {CONFIDENTIAL} E-2 IMPDET.H

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